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Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the claims of the above-identified U.S. patent application, as shown in the appended sheets, in conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed herewith

REMARKS

As discussed in the telephone interview with the Examiner on September 9, 2005, the amended claims submitted in the Response After Final Rejection, which were unentered, are re-submitted with a further clarifying amendment in the main claims, for further examination in conjunction the present RCE request. Main Claim 1 is amended to recite that the panel has a surface area facing the direction of wave motion beneath the sea surface and is impacted by the wave motion beneath the sea surface to pivot the lever arm by its distal (upper) end about its